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Dear Archie:

Many thanks for sending me your letter to the President and the copy of your poem. I have forwarded them to him, and know how much he will appreciate receiving them.

I am glad that the poem happened. It beautifully defined and added to the meaning of the event for me -- and, I am sure for millions of others.

Warm regards,

/s/

Henry A. Kissinger

Mr. Archibald MacLeish
Conway,
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Dear Henry:

The President has telled Henry to do. Have read the enclosed but maybe, twenty years from now, going over his papers, it might remind him of a great moment which is not likely to grow dim ever then. (Christ! how I hope for all our sakes — the whole world — it goes well!). Besides I told him, in the letter you so kindly showed him, I would send it if it happened and it has so so I do. Thank you for your great kindness in saving me loose from an embarrassment that must have touched comical from the outside (it did to Dean) but not I assume you, from within!

faithfully

Archie

To Dr Henry Kissinger
The White House

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